

THE LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS, THURSDAY, JULY 16, 1874.

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W. W. A. PHILLIPS.

We published elsewhere, in this morning's issue, a letter from the President of the Globe Mutual Life Insurance Company, of New York, a person of whom we have heard much in the estimation of the leading business men of New York. His speech upon the currency question, admitted by all parties—as well as those who dissent from his opinions—as by those who agree with them—to be the ablest effort of the financial debate in the House during the session, and it is not too much to say that Mr. Phillips is to be pointed out as one of the leading spirits in the anti-construction ranks in the next Congress.

Mr. Phillips is conceded on all hands to be one of the ablest members of the House; though serving his first term, he is by no means a new man at Washington, but has been familiar with public life for many years, and is one of the very few public men upon whom no taint of corruption has ever been attached—against whom no charge of corruption has ever been made. From the day he first took his seat in the House, he has ranked in point of influence and ability among the ablest and most experienced members of that body. The estimation in which he is held by his fellow members may be inferred from his selection by the House to deliver the eulogy upon Mr. Sumner, a compliment to himself and to the State, of which every citizen of Kansas may justly feel proud.

Mr. Phillips will of course be returned for a second term. As might reasonably be expected, there are several gentlemen in the district who would be willing to take his place, but there is no man before the convention who could afford to take place in Mr. Phillips. His withdrawal from Congress at the present time would be a misfortune to the district, to the State, and to the country, and we should have to wait a long time before we could fill his place. He occupies a position in the House very much more than any other member here; he is recognized by common consent as one of the ablest men in Congress, and reckoned among his intimate friends and advisers such men as Speaker Blaine, Mr. Dawes and Mr. Hoar—the recognized leaders of the party. His position enables him to exert a wide influence that could be exerted by any half dozen new men we could send from the district, and to superintend him to time with a new man, who would have to wait in without reputation and without influence, would be little better than political suicide. But there is little danger of any such contingency; reports from all parts of the district indicate that the people are averse to a change, and in this vicinity we have common knowledge of the fact that the popular sentiment is strongly and positively in favor of his return.

THE GRADUATES AND THE RAILROADS.
In the contest that has been going on in Wisconsin, for six months past, between the people and the railroad, the people are thus far ahead.

The Legislature of Wisconsin passed a law similar to the one recently enacted in Iowa and other States, regarding the freight and freight rates of cars chartered by the State. The roads determined to contest the constitutionality of the law, and made application to the United States District Court for an injunction, to forbid the enforcement of the act. The case came up at Madison, last Saturday, and the injunction was refused. The case will be argued in the United States District Court, and the Legislature had full power to regulate the rates for the transit of persons and property exclusively within the limitations of the State, but did not pass upon the right of the Legislature to fix certain rates for the transportation of persons and property from other States into Wisconsin, and from Wisconsin into other States. On this point the court held as follows:

The case of "The State Freight Tax," reported in 15th Waller, p. 232, decides that a law which prescribed traffic conditions "between the several States," and that the regulation thereof was exclusively for the benefit of the States, was a valid exercise of the power of Congress.

In another letter, undated, after mentioning warmly his obligation to Mr. Bennett, Dr. Livingston says of Stanley: "A dutiful son could not have done more than he has done for me. I thank him."

THE BROTHER MAN IN THE ROYAL PLACE.
Our friend Roberts, of the Oklahoma Independent, whose good judgment generally goes for the right side of every public question, remarks as follows, in a letter to his paper, touching the approaching Congressional election:

We have received a copy of Col. Phillips' speech in the House on the financial question, which shows research, and is one of the best papers he has ever delivered. It is a masterpiece of logic and eloquence, and will be read with interest by all who are interested in the financial question. It is a masterpiece of logic and eloquence, and will be read with interest by all who are interested in the financial question.

The decision is everywhere hailed as a victory for the people over the roads, and while it is no doubt a great victory, it is far from being a final one. The roads have not been defeated, and they are not likely to be. The people have won a great victory, but they have not won the war. The roads have not been defeated, and they are not likely to be.

A COMPLIMENT.
We are permitted to publish the following highly complimentary letter, from the Hon. Philip Phillips, President of the Globe Mutual Life Insurance Company, of New York, to Hon. W. A. Phillips, representative in Congress, from this district. The letter speaks for itself, and shows in what esteem our representative is held by one of the ablest business men of the State.

New York, June 22, 1874.
Dear Sir: With great pleasure I have just read in the Congressional Record, your speech in the House on the subject of the currency. It is a masterpiece of logic and eloquence, and will be read with interest by all who are interested in the financial question. It is a masterpiece of logic and eloquence, and will be read with interest by all who are interested in the financial question.

AN ARTICLE IN THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE headed "Mr. Farver ordered to produce his child in five days." We have heretofore claimed the premium for Kansas as a "proving" State, but for Mr. Farver come to time, Illinois has the blue ribbon.

P. R.—We take it back. As will be seen by a local item in this morning's TIMES, a young couple were married in this city Tuesday evening, and on the following Friday morning "produced" a fine-plump son. Come on, Mrs. Farver, your flag is still there.

EVERY YEAR, about this time, there is a epidemic movement throughout the country to reform the Fourth of July, and purge it of its powder and its noise. We have no objection to a quiet Fourth, but such an innovation would seem to us like going back on posterity. Since we've got our fire-crackers and enjoyed them till they don't sound any longer, it would be mean now to deny the same fun to other boys.

OUR WITTY.
It is said to be important, if true, that Theodore Tilton has a second letter in type, proofs of which have been shown in confidence to his friends, and that a letter to his address will appear in the forthcoming number of the Christian Union over the signature of Henry Ward Beecher. The correspondent adds that Mr. Tilton's friends have attempted to dissuade him from publishing.

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KANSAS ITEMS.
A train of four coaches of soldiers left Leavenworth this morning for the Santa Fe depot, bound for the south, and the recent disturbances—*Wynandott Gazette.*

Good judges say the wheat crop in Wyandott county this year will be nearly if not quite double that of last year. It is not quite double, but it is a great improvement—*Wynandott Gazette.*

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